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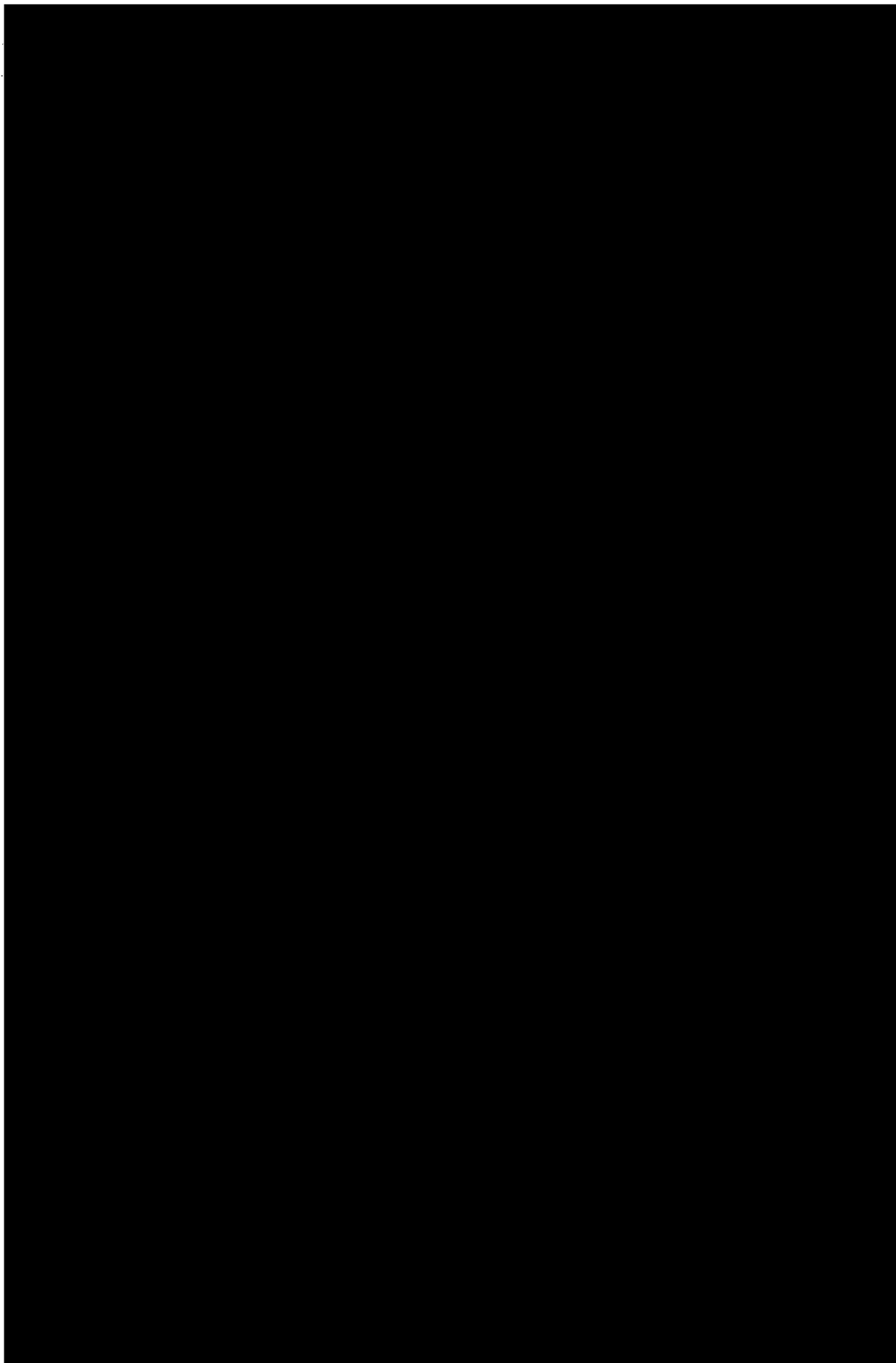
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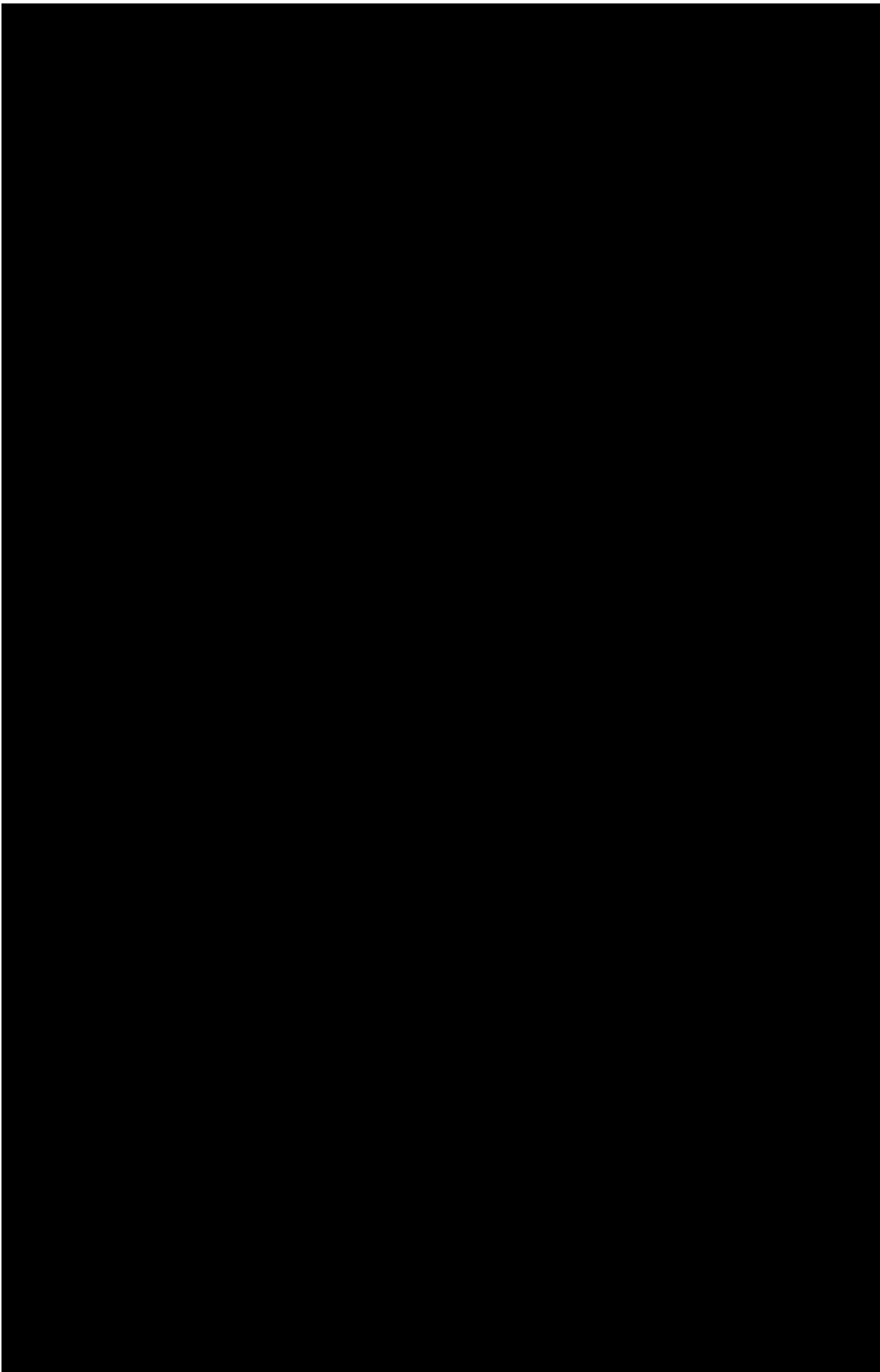
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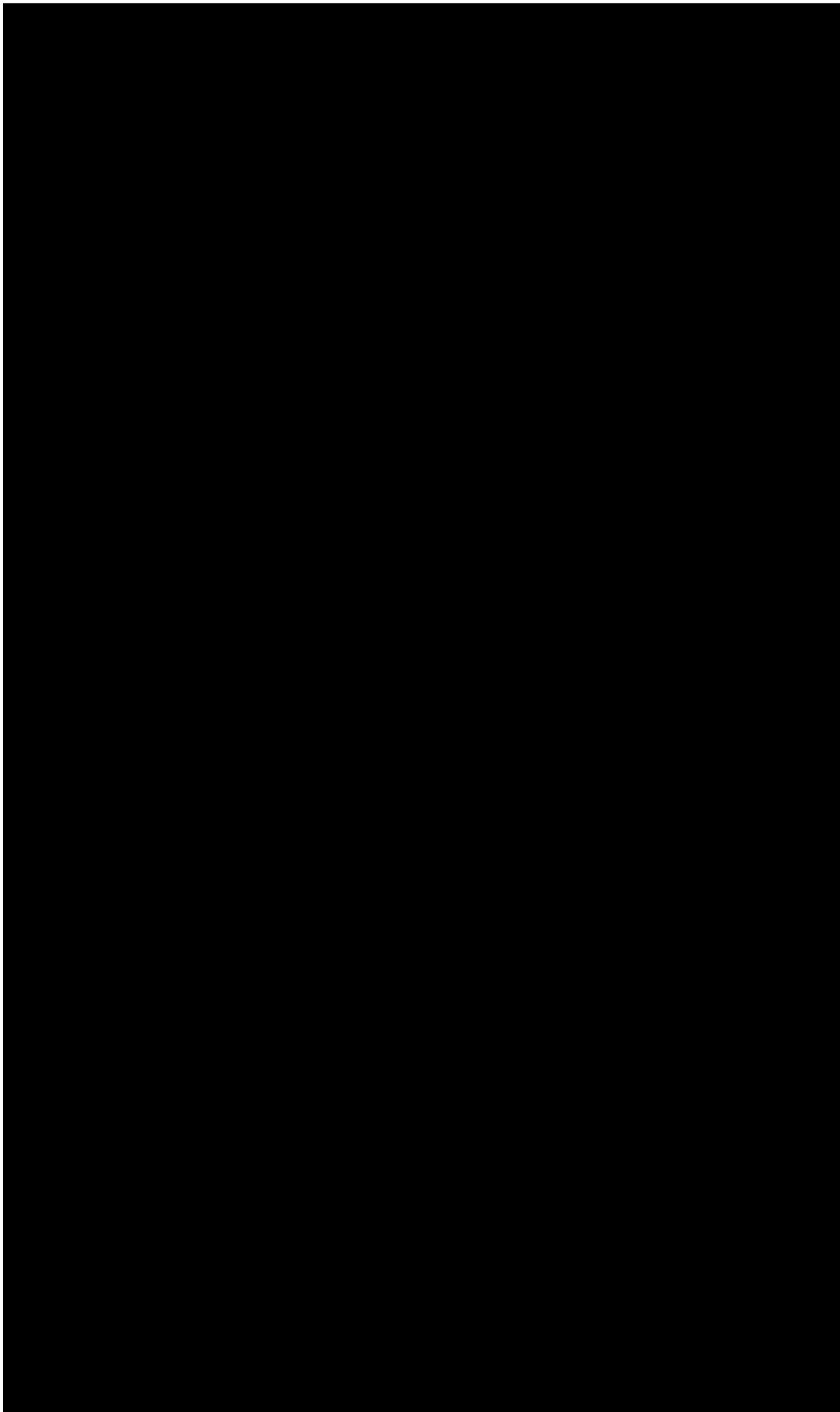
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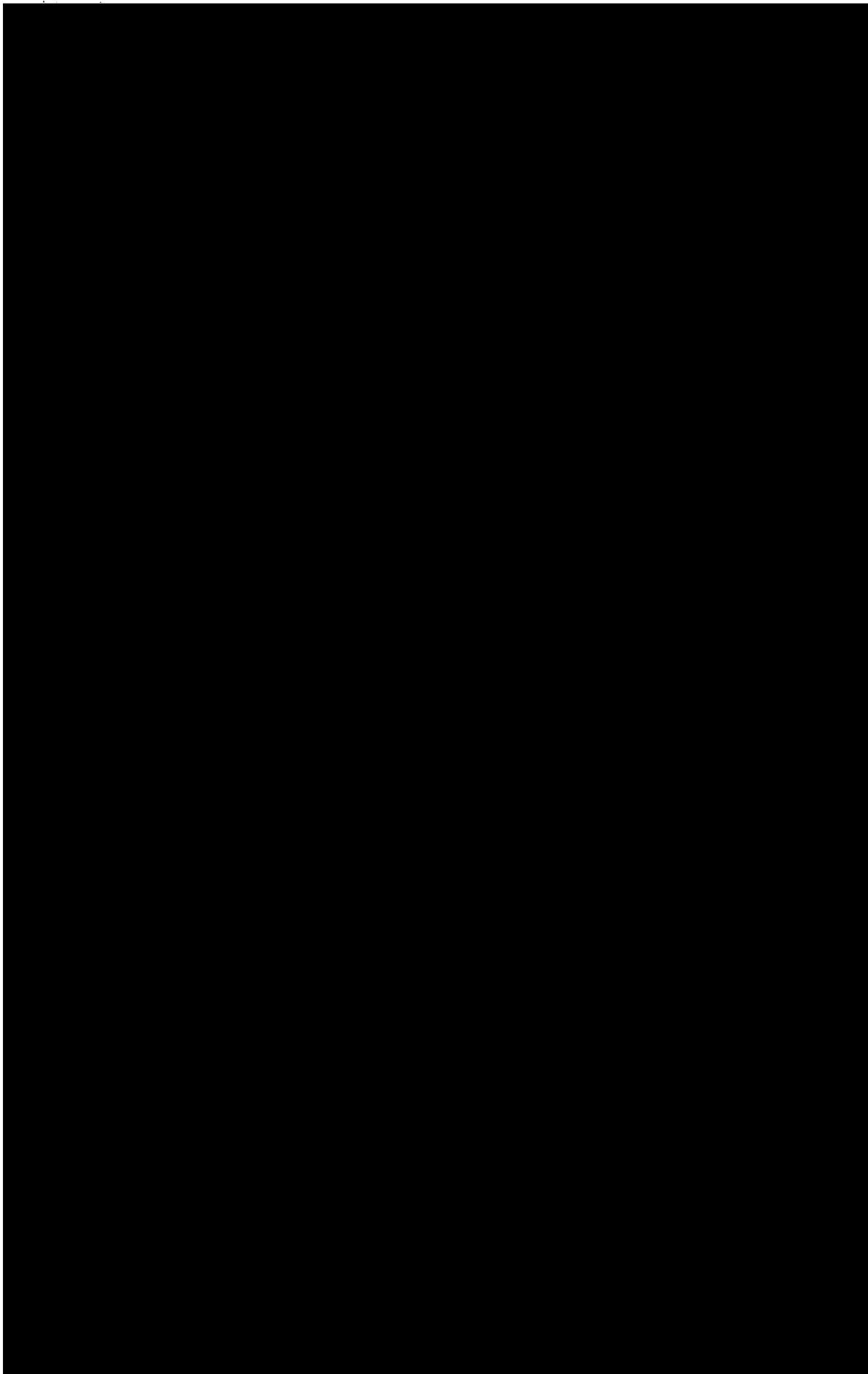
The differences between Archbishop Makarios and former EOKA leader George Grivas have caused an open break, and Cyprus is again faced with the possibility of violence. Makarios, who is confident that he enjoys the support of the overwhelming majority of Greek Cypriots, has replied in mild terms to Grivas' action in "dissociating" himself from the Cyprus settlement. Greek Government leaders, recognizing Grivas as a potentially dangerous rival for power, have bluntly denied his charges that he was presented with a fait accompli at the time the accord was reached. [REDACTED]

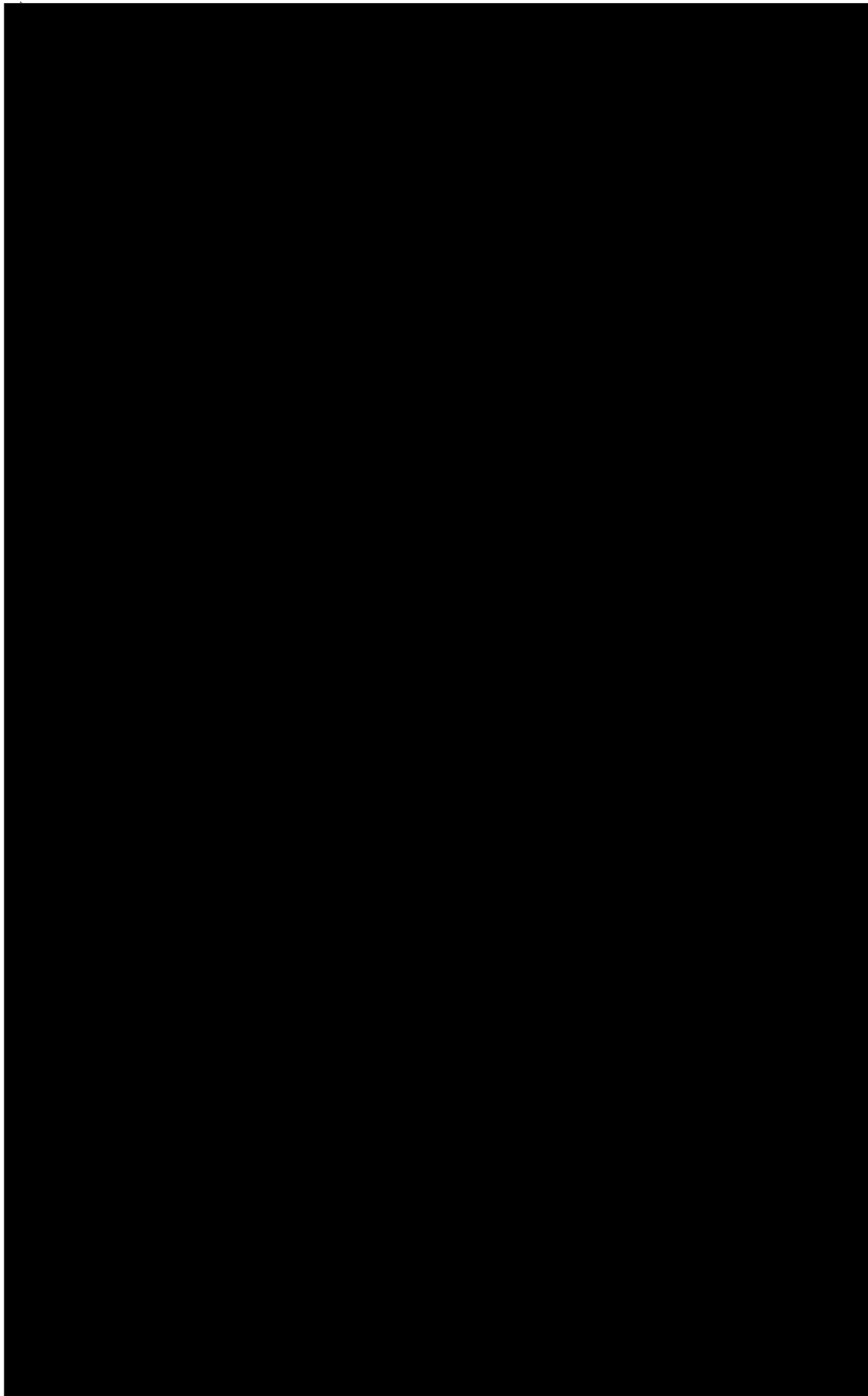
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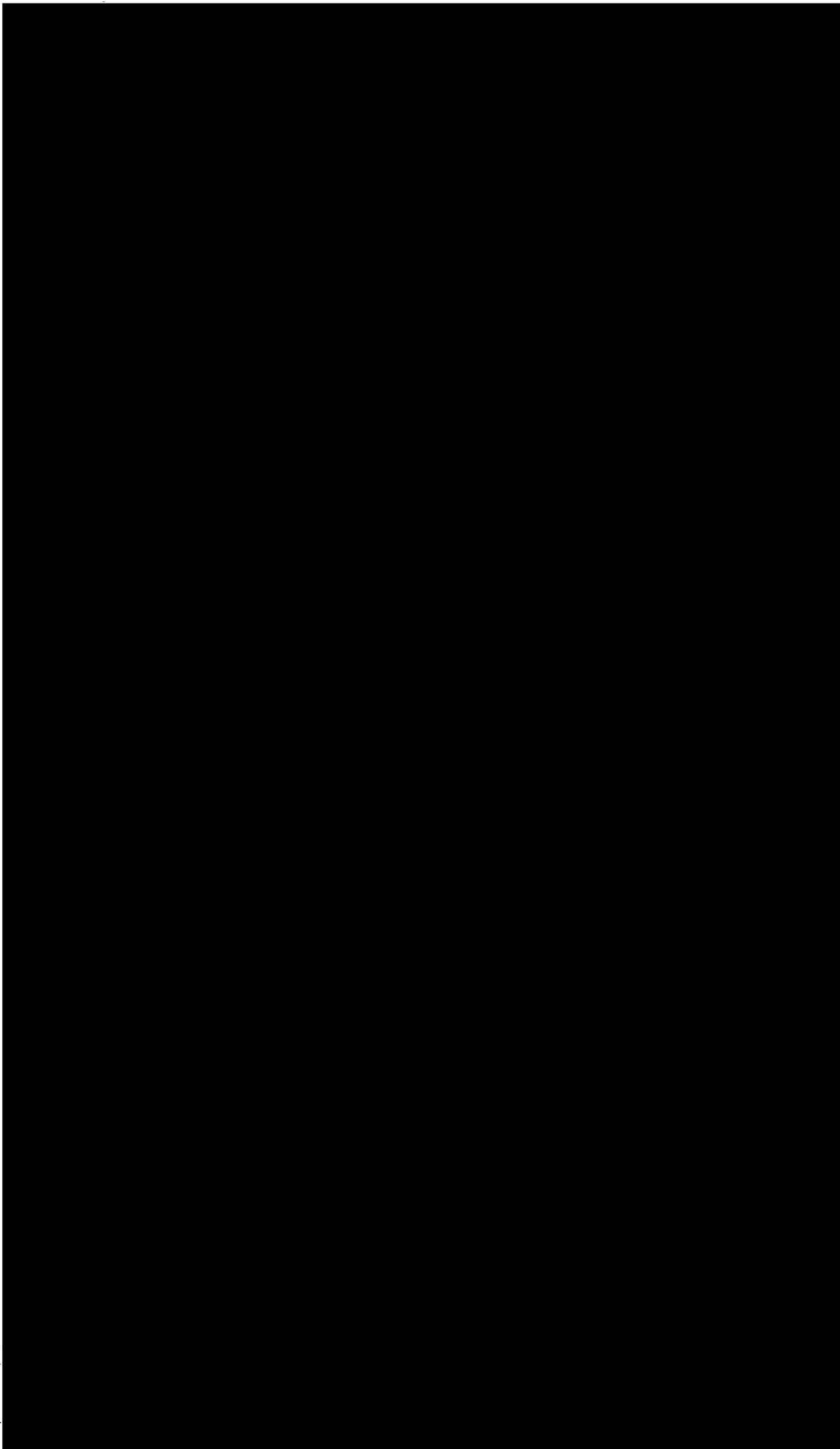
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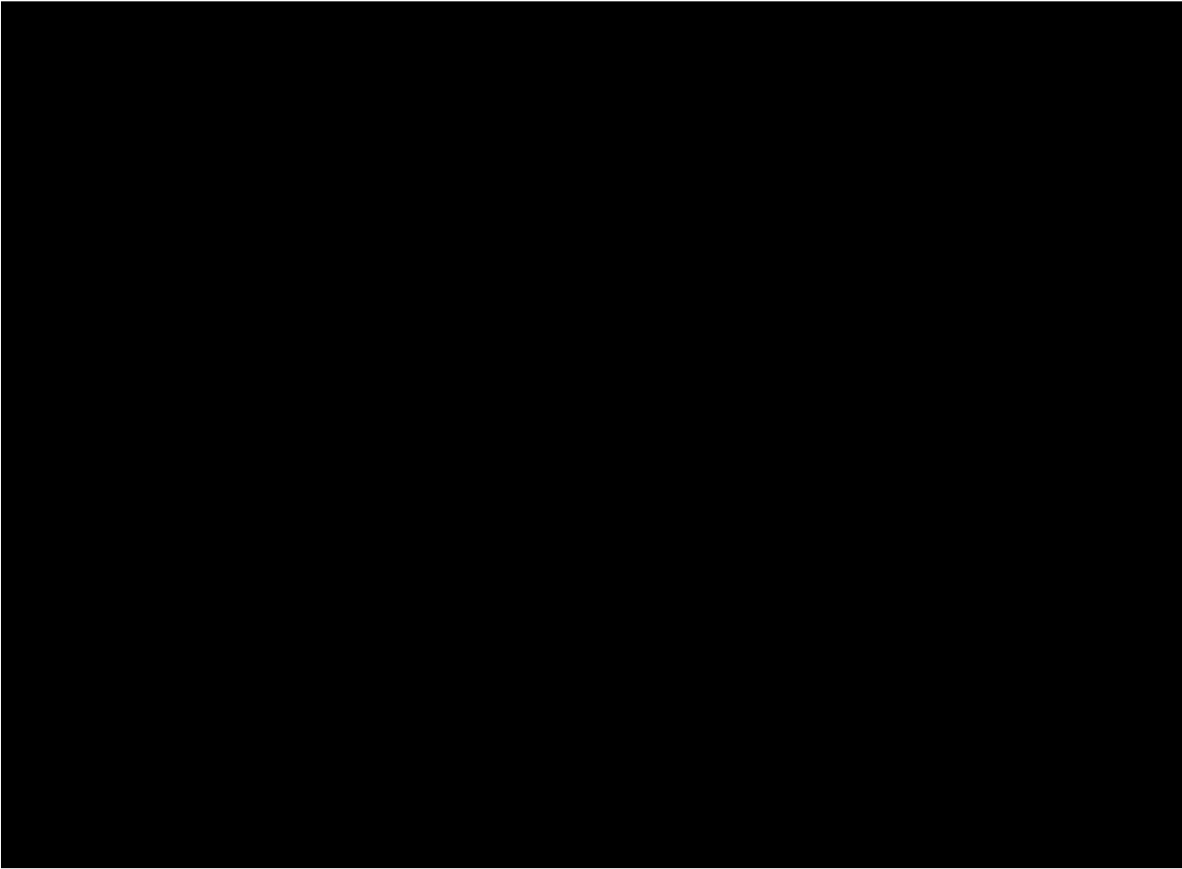




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The differences between Archbishop Makarios and former EOKA leader George Grivas have caused an open break, and Cyprus is faced with the possibility of renewed violence. Grivas has accused Makarios and the Greek Government of presenting him with a fait accompli in the Cyprus settlement. He charges that he was not consulted on the terms prior to the accord negotiated with the Turks and British last February, and that he had no alternative to accepting the agreement and ending his four-year-old terrorist campaign.

Grivas has concentrated his attack, however, on the alleged existence of "oral commitments" to the British entered into by the Greek Government. For this reason, he has "dissociated" himself from the settlement and has threatened to renew underground activity to "smash the dark forces who seek to enslave the island."

Makarios and the Greek Government responded quickly to Grivas' charges, both accepting responsibility for negotiating the settlement. Makarios, while

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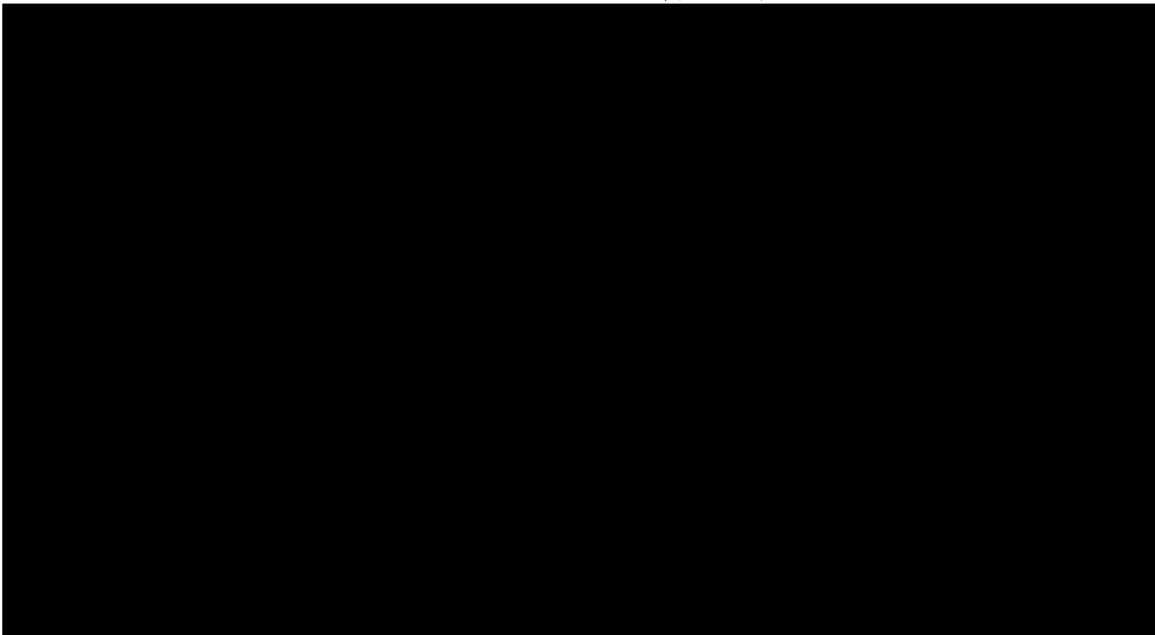
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denouncing those who "sow dissension and seek to create confusion," replied in mild terms to the direct challenge. Reports indicate that the archbishop enjoys the overwhelming support of the Greek Cypriot community, including that of many former high-ranking subordinates of Grivas in the EOKA movement. Makarios has the support of the Greek-language press on Cyprus with the exception of the Communist papers, which are unlikely to support the violently anti-Communist Grivas.

There probably does exist, however, a small band of extremists loyal to Grivas who will join him, either directly or indirectly, in acts of violence if he gives the order. A significant supply of weapons and ammunition is believed to be in the hands of former EOKA members, and both Greek and Turkish Cypriots are believed to be smuggling arms. At least one explosion of undetermined origin has already occurred, and isolated acts of violence may increase.

Greek Government leaders responded bluntly to Grivas, whom they recognize as a potentially dangerous rival for power because of his popularity in Greece. Grivas, meanwhile, continues to confer with Greek opposition politicians, and an early announcement of the creation of a new Greek political movement under his leadership is expected.

Turkish Cypriots and the British are watching the developments warily. Turkish Cypriot leaders have strongly backed Makarios in the dispute and have warned that Grivas' activities could lead to disaster. They fear that fanatics, encouraged by the former EOKA leader, will intimidate the moderate majority of Greek Cypriots into adopting a less conciliatory attitude toward the final settlement still being worked out. British security forces, meanwhile, have set up roadblocks for the first time since the end of the emergency in March in an attempt to stop arms smuggling into Cyprus.



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